

Date: March 25, 2014

To: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) – Child Care Component Participants

From: Community Nutrition Programs

Subject: CACFP Indoor Garden Sub-Grant Opportunity

Wisconsin Team Nutrition is pleased to announce that funding is available for establishing indoor container gardens. The purpose of this grant is to provide garden-based nutrition education to children enrolled at CACFP sites. Sub-grant awards of up to \$750 will be available for approximately 25 sites. CACFP independent and sponsoring organizations of child care centers, emergency shelters, at-risk sites, outside of school hours sites that have a current CACFP contract for FY 2014 are eligible to apply

Funds may be used to:

- Purchase gardening supplies for a classroom garden (i.e., seeds/seedlings, grow lights, potting soil, planters, gloves, trowels, etc.).
- Purchase or print garden-based education materials (books, activity sheets, etc.).
- Purchase food and supplies for classroom tasting and demonstration.

Grant Requirements:

- The classroom teacher must utilize the Team Nutrition gardening curriculum *Grow It*, *Try It*, *Like It!* (http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/grow-it-try-it-it).
- The classroom teacher must be willing to complete a post-program evaluation of the Team Nutrition gardening curriculum.

The grant application and instructions are available at: http://ne.dpi.wi.gov/ne_tngrant.

Applications must be submitted by Friday, May 2, 2014. Applications postmarked or received (faxed, emailed) after that date MAY NOT be considered for funding. Please download the application to your computer, fill out the application electronically, print a copy, and have it signed by the appropriate staff members. Once signed, submit the application to:

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